

**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims**

1. (Original) An imaging lens comprising a first lens, a second lens, and a third lens arranged in sequence from an object side; wherein

the first lens is a meniscus lens having a positive power, whose convex surface faces the object side;

the second lens is a meniscus lens having a negative power, whose concave surface faces the object side;

the third lens is a lens having a positive or negative power;

the first lens has a strong power compared with the second and third lenses;

at least the second and third lenses among the first, second, and third lenses are aspherical on both sides; and

the aspherical surface of the third lens has one or a plurality of inflection points.

2. (Original) The imaging lens according to claim 1, wherein the first lens has at least one lens surface that is aspherical.

3. (Previously Presented) The imaging lens according to claim 1, wherein the following condition is satisfied when a

total focal distance of the imaging lens is  $f$ , and a focal distance of the first lens is  $f_1$ :

$$0.5 < f_1/f < 1.5.$$

4. (Currently Amended) The imaging lens according to claim 1, wherein the following condition is satisfied when a total focal distance of the imaging lens is  $f$ , and a distance from an incident surface of the first lens on the object side to an imaging surface ~~of the first lens~~ is  $\Sigma d$ :

$$0.5 < \Sigma d/f < 1.5.$$

5. (Previously Presented) The imaging lens according to claim 1, wherein the following condition is satisfied when an Abbe number of the second lens is  $vd_2$ :

$$50 > vd_2.$$

6. (Previously Presented) The imaging lens according to claim 1, wherein a maximum exit angle of a principal ray in the imaging lens is 30 degrees or less.

7. (Previously Presented) The imaging lens according to claim 1, wherein the third lens has a peripheral portion of its lens surface on an image side, the peripheral portion being convex towards the image surface; and

the third lens has first and second lens surfaces provided with one or a plurality of inflection points.

8. (Currently Amended) The imaging lens according to claim 2, wherein the following conditions are satisfied when a total focal distance of the imaging lens is  $f$ , a focal distance of the first lens is  $f_1$ , a distance from an incident

surface of the first lens on the object side to an imaging surface ~~of the first lens~~ is  $\Sigma d$ , and an Abbe number of the second lens is  $\nu d2$ :

$$0.5 < f1/f < 1.5$$

$$0.5 < \Sigma d/f < 1.5$$

$$50 > \nu d2.$$

9. (Original) The imaging lens according to claim 8, wherein a maximum exit angle of a principal ray in the imaging lens is 30 degrees or less.

10. (Previously Presented) The imaging lens according to claim 8, wherein the third lens has a peripheral portion of its lens surface on the image side, the peripheral portion being convex towards the image surface; and

the third lens has first and second lens surfaces provided with one or a plurality of inflection points.

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